

# ELLSWORTH COUNTY INDEPENDENT/REPORTER

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State of Kansas, County of Ellsworth, ss:

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Third Publication \_\_\_\_\_, 2019

Fourth Publication \_\_\_\_\_, 2019

Fifth Publication \_\_\_\_\_, 2019

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 18th day of July, 2019.

Juanita Kepka  
NOTARY PUBLIC

My commission expires March 22, 2021.

Examined and approved by me this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2019.

Clerk of District Court, Ellsworth County, Kansas  
Probate Judge, Ellsworth County, Kansas

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**NOTICE OF BUDGET HEARING**

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| General                   | 42,654                 | 5.206            | 44,305                     | 5.205            | 56,885                            | 37,891                        |
| Debt Service              |                        |                  |                            |                  |                                   |                               |
| Library                   |                        |                  |                            |                  |                                   |                               |
| Other                     |                        |                  |                            |                  |                                   |                               |
| Special Machinery         | 42,654                 | 5.206            | 44,305                     | 5.205            | 56,885                            | 37,891                        |
| Totals                    | 85,308                 |                  | 88,610                     |                  | 113,770                           | 75,782                        |
| Less: Transfers           | 13,973                 |                  | 13,973                     |                  | 13,973                            | 9,091                         |
| Net Expenditure           | 71,335                 |                  | 74,637                     |                  | 99,800                            | 66,691                        |
| Total Tax Levied          | 35,158                 |                  | 36,875                     |                  | 46,915                            | 31,199                        |
| Assessed Valuation:       |                        |                  |                            |                  |                                   |                               |
| Township                  | 6,753,499              |                  | 7,087,384                  |                  | 7,387,434                         | 4,885,000                     |
| Outstanding Indebtedness, |                        |                  |                            |                  |                                   |                               |
| Jan 1                     | 0                      |                  | 0                          |                  | 0                                 | 0                             |
| G.O. Bonds                | 0                      |                  | 0                          |                  | 0                                 | 0                             |
| Other                     | 0                      |                  | 0                          |                  | 0                                 | 0                             |
| Lease Purchase Principal  | 0                      |                  | 0                          |                  | 0                                 | 0                             |
| Total                     | 0                      |                  | 0                          |                  | 0                                 | 0                             |

\* Tax rates are expressed in mills.

Kath Anderson  
Treasurer

**CERTIFICATE**

2020

To the Clerk of Ellsworth County, State of Kansas  
We, the undersigned, officers of

**Empire Township**

certify that: (1) the hearing mentioned in the attached publication was held;  
(2) after the Budget Hearing this budget was approved and adopted as the  
maximum expenditures for the various funds for the year 2020; and (3) the  
Amount(s) of 2019 Ad Valorem Tax are within statutory limitations for the 2020 Budget.

|   |             | 2020 Adopted Budget                             |                                  |                               |
|---|-------------|---|----------------------------------|-------------------------------|
|   |             | Budget Authority<br>for Expenditures            | Amount of 2019<br>Ad Valorem Tax | County<br>Clerk's<br>Use Only |
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| Fund                                    | K.S.A.      |   |                                  |                               |
| General                                 | 79-1962     | 56,885  | 37,891                           |                               |
| Debt Service                            | 10-113      |   |                                  |                               |
| Library                                 | 12-1220     |   |                                  |                               |
| Road                                    | 68-518c     |   |                                  |                               |
|   |             |   |                                  |                               |
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|   |             |   |                                  |                               |
| Special Machinery                       |             |   |                                  |                               |
| <b>Totals</b>                           | xxxxxx      | 56,885  | 37,891                           |                               |
| Budget Summary                          | 0           |   |                                  |                               |
| Neighborhood Revitalization Rebate      |             | Resolution required? Vote publication required? | No                               |                               |

|                           |                         |
|---------------------------|-------------------------|
| Final Assessed Valuation: | County Clerk's Use Only |
| Township                  |                         |
|                           | Nov. 1, 2019 Valuation  |

Assisted by:

Address:

Email:

Attest: *July 29* 2019

*Shelly D. Upat*  
County Clerk

*Monte Kholsa*  
*Monte P. Nelson*

Governing Body

Special Road Election held for Mills for years.  
First levy in .

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**Computation to Determine Limit for 2020**

|                                    | <b>Amount of Levy</b> |
|------------------------------------|-----------------------|
| 1. Total tax levy amount in 2019   | + \$ 36,875           |
| 2. Debt service levy in 2019       | - \$ 0                |
| 3. Tax levy excluding debt service | \$ 36,875             |

**2019 Valuation Information for Valuation Adjustments**

|  |                   |  |
|--|-------------------|--|
| 4. New improvements for 2019:  | + 13,153          |  |
| 5. Increase in personal property for 2019:   |                   |  |
| 5a. Personal property 2019   | + 225,292         |  |
| 5b. Personal property 2018   | - 353,125         |  |
| 5c. Increase in personal property (5a minus 5b)  | + 0               |  |
|  | (Use Only if > 0) |  |
| 6. Valuation of property that changed in use during 2019:  | + 5,694           |  |
| 7. Total valuation adjustment (sum of 4, 5c, 6)  | 18,847            |  |
| 8. Total estimated valuation July 1, 2019  | 7,387,434         |  |
| 9. Total valuation less valuation adjustment (8 minus 7)   | 7,368,587         |  |
| 10. Factor for increase (7 divided by 9)   | 0.00256           |  |
| 11. Amount of increase (10 times 3)  | + \$ 94           |  |
| 12. 2020 budget tax levy, excluding debt service, prior to CPI adjustment (3 plus 11)  | \$ 36,969         |  |
| 13. Debt service levy in this 2020 budget  | 0                 |  |
| 14. 2020 budget tax levy, including debt service, prior to CPI adjustment (12 plus 13)   | 36,969            |  |
| 15. Consumer Price Index for all urban consumers for calendar year 2018  | 0.025             |  |
| 16. Consumer Price Index adjustment (3 times 15)   | \$ 922            |  |
| 17. Maximum levy for budget year 2020, including debt service, not requiring 'notice of vote publication' or adoption of a resolution prior to adoption of the budget (14 plus 16) | \$ 37,891         |  |

If the 2020 adopted budget includes a total property tax levy exceeding the dollar amount in line 17 you must, prior to adoption of such budget, adopt a resolution authorizing such levy and, subsequent to adoption of such budget, publish notice of vote by the governing body to adopt such budget in the official county newspaper and attach a copy of the published notice to this budget.

In no event will published notice of the vote be required if the total budget year tax levy is \$1,000 or less.

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Allocation of MV, RV, 16/20M, Commercial Vehicle, and Watercraft Tax Estimates

| Budgeted Funds<br>for 2019 | Tax Levy Amount in<br>2019 Budget | Allocation for Year 2020 |     |            |          |            |
|----------------------------|-----------------------------------|--------------------------|-----|------------|----------|------------|
|                            |                                   | MVT                      | RVT | 16/20M Veh | Comm Veh | Watercraft |
| General                    | 36,875                            | 1,273                    | 36  | 77         | 14       | 377        |
| Debt Service               | 0                                 | 0                        | 0   | 0          | 0        | 0          |
| Library                    | 0                                 | 0                        | 0   | 0          | 0        | 0          |
| Road                       | 0                                 | 0                        | 0   | 0          | 0        | 0          |
|                            | 0                                 | 0                        | 0   | 0          | 0        | 0          |
|                            | 0                                 | 0                        | 0   | 0          | 0        | 0          |
|                            | 0                                 | 0                        | 0   | 0          | 0        | 0          |
|                            | 0                                 | 0                        | 0   | 0          | 0        | 0          |
|                            | 0                                 | 0                        | 0   | 0          | 0        | 0          |
|                            | 0                                 | 0                        | 0   | 0          | 0        | 0          |
| Total                      | 36,875                            | 1,273                    | 36  | 77         | 14       | 377        |

County Treas Motor Vehicle Estimate 1,273

County Treas Recreational Vehicle Estimate 36

County Treas 16/20M Vehicle Estimate 77

County Treas Commercial Vehicle Tax Estimate 14

County Treas Watercraft Tax Estimate 377

MVT Factor 0.03452

RVT Factor 0.00098

16/20M Factor 0.00209

Comm Veh Factor 0.00038

Watercraft Factor 0.01022

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**Schedule of Transfers**

| <b>Expenditure<br/>Fund Transferred<br/>From:</b> | <b>Receipt<br/>Fund Transferred<br/>To:</b> | <b>Actual<br/>Amount for<br/>2018</b> | <b>Current<br/>Amount for<br/>2019</b> | <b>Proposed<br/>Amount for<br/>2020</b> | <b>Transfers<br/>Authorized by<br/>Statute</b> |
|---|---|---------------------------------------|--|---|--|
| General   | Special Machinery                           | -                                     | -                                      | -                                       |  |
| General   | Special Machinery                           | 8,681                                 | -                                      | -                                       | 80-122   |
| Road  | Special Machinery                           | -                                     | -                                      | -                                       |  |
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| Total   |   | 8,681                                 | 0                                      | 0                                       |  |
| Adjustments*                                      |   |                                       |  |   |  |
| Adjusted Totals                                   |   | 8,681                                 | 0                                      | 0                                       |  |

\*Note: Adjustments are required only if the transfer is being made in 2019 and/or 2020 from a non-budgeted fund.



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**FUND PAGE FOR FUNDS WITH A TAX LEVY**

| Adopted Budget<br><b>General</b>            | Prior Year<br>Actual for 2018 | Current Year<br>Estimate for 2019 | Proposed Budget<br>Year for 2020 |
|---|-------------------------------|-----------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| Unencumbered Cash Balance January 1         | 962                           | 676                               | 5,987                            |
| Receipts:                                   |                               |                                   |                                  |
| Ad Valorem Tax                              | 34,875                        | 36,875                            | xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx                 |
| Delinquent Tax                              | 684                           |                                   |                                  |
| Motor Vehicle Tax                           | 1,254                         | 1,350                             | 1,273                            |
| Recreational Vehicle Tax                    | 39                            | 59                                | 36                               |
| 16/20 M Vehicle Tax                         | 93                            | 84                                | 77                               |
| Commercial Vehicle Tax                      | 16                            | 20                                | 14                               |
| Watercraft Tax                              | 54                            |                                   | 377                              |
| LAVTR                                       |                               |                                   | 0                                |
| Gross Earnings (Intangibles) Tax            |                               |                                   | 0                                |
| Special Highway                             | 2,688                         | 2,641                             | 2,643                            |
| Government Lease                            | 2,665                         | 8,587                             | 8,587                            |
|   |                               |                                   |                                  |
|   |                               |                                   |                                  |
|   |                               |                                   |                                  |
|   |                               |                                   |                                  |
| Interest on Idle Funds                      |                               |                                   |                                  |
| Neighborhood Revitalization Rebate          |                               |                                   | 0                                |
| Miscellaneous                               |                               |                                   |                                  |
| Does miscellaneous exceed 10% of Total Rec  |                               |                                   |                                  |
| <b>Total Receipts</b>                       | <b>42,368</b>                 | <b>49,616</b>                     | <b>13,007</b>                    |
| <b>Resources Available:</b>                 | <b>43,330</b>                 | <b>50,292</b>                     | <b>18,994</b>                    |
| Expenditures:                               |                               |                                   |                                  |
|   |                               |                                   |                                  |
| Officers Pay                                | 3,600                         | 3,600                             | 3,700                            |
| Salaries & Wages                            | 7,760                         | 3,000                             | 7,800                            |
| Employee Benefits                           | 1,494                         | 1,100                             | 1,500                            |
| Supplies                                    |                               | 651                               | 651                              |
| Equipment                                   |                               |                                   |                                  |
| Buildings Maintenance                       |                               |                                   |                                  |
| Insurance                                   | 2,566                         | 2,566                             | 2,600                            |
| Road Fund                                   | 18,553                        | 33,388                            | 40,634                           |
|   |                               |                                   |                                  |
|   |                               |                                   |                                  |
|   |                               |                                   |                                  |
| Cash Forward (2020 column)                  |                               |                                   |                                  |
| Transfer to Spec. Mach.(No Levy)            |                               |                                   |                                  |
| Does the General Fund have a tax levy       |                               |                                   |                                  |
| Transfer to Spec. Mach.(Gen has Levy)       | 8,681                         |                                   |                                  |
| Transfer can not exceed 25% Resources Avail |                               |                                   |                                  |
| Miscellaneous                               |                               |                                   |                                  |
| Does misc. exceed 10% of Total Expenditures |                               |                                   |                                  |
| <b>Total Expenditures</b>                   | <b>42,654</b>                 | <b>44,305</b>                     | <b>56,885</b>                    |
| Unencumbered Cash Balance Dec 31            | 676                           | 5,987                             | xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx                 |
| 2018/2019/2020 Budget Authority Amount:     | 44,595                        | 44,595                            | 56,885                           |
| Non-Appropriated Balance                    |                               |                                   |                                  |
| Total Expenditure/Non-Appr Balance          |                               |                                   | 56,885                           |
| Tax Required                                |                               |                                   | 37,891                           |
| Delinquent Comp Rate: 0.0%                  |                               |                                   | 0                                |
| Amount of 2019 Ad Valorem Tax               |                               |                                   | 37,891                           |

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**FUND PAGE FOR FUNDS WITH A TAX LEVY**

| Adopted Budget<br>Road                          | Prior Year<br>Actual for 2018 | Current Year<br>Estimate for 2019 | Proposed Budget<br>Year for 2020 |
|---|-------------------------------|-----------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| Unencumbered Cash Balance January 1             |                               | 0                                 | 0                                |
| Receipts:                                       |                               |                                   |                                  |
| Ad Valorem Tax                                  |                               | 0                                 | xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx                 |
| Delinquent Tax                                  |                               |                                   |                                  |
| Motor Vehicle Tax                               |                               |                                   | 0                                |
| Recreational Vehicle Tax                        |                               |                                   | 0                                |
| 16/20M Vehicle Tax                              |                               |                                   | 0                                |
| Commercial Vehicle Tax                          |                               |                                   | 0                                |
| Watercraft Tax                                  |                               |                                   | 0                                |
| Special Highway/Gasoline Tax                    |                               |                                   | 0                                |
|   |                               |                                   |                                  |
|   |                               |                                   |                                  |
|   |                               |                                   |                                  |
| Interest on Idle Funds                          |                               |                                   |                                  |
| Neighborhood Revitalization Rebate              |                               |                                   | 0                                |
| Miscellaneous                                   |                               |                                   |                                  |
| Does miscellaneous exceed 10% of Total Receipts |                               |                                   |                                  |
| <b>Total Receipts</b>                           | <b>0</b>                      | <b>0</b>                          | <b>0</b>                         |
| <b>Resources Available:</b>                     | <b>0</b>                      | <b>0</b>                          | <b>0</b>                         |
| Expenditures:                                   |                               |                                   |                                  |
| Salaries & Wages                                |                               |                                   |                                  |
| Employee Benefits                               |                               |                                   |                                  |
| Road Maintenance                                |                               |                                   |                                  |
| Road Materials                                  |                               |                                   |                                  |
| Equipment                                       |                               |                                   |                                  |
|   |                               |                                   |                                  |
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|   |                               |                                   |                                  |
| Cash Forward (2020 column)                      |                               |                                   |                                  |
| Transfer to Special Machinery                   |                               |                                   |                                  |
| Does transfer exceed 25% of Resources Available |                               |                                   |                                  |
| Miscellaneous                                   |                               |                                   |                                  |
| Does misc. exceed 10% of Total Expenditures     |                               |                                   |                                  |
| <b>Total Expenditures</b>                       | <b>0</b>                      | <b>0</b>                          | <b>0</b>                         |
| Unencumbered Cash Balance Dec 31                | 0                             | 0                                 | xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx                 |
| 2018/2019/2020 Budget Authority Amount:         | 0                             | 0                                 | 0                                |
| Non-Appropriated Balance                        |                               |                                   |                                  |
| Total Expenditure/Non-Appr Balance              |                               |                                   | 0                                |
| Tax Required                                    |                               |                                   | 0                                |
| Delinquent Comp Rate: 0.0%                      |                               |                                   | 0                                |
| Amount of 2019 Ad Valorem Tax                   |                               |                                   | 0                                |

**Special Machinery**

| K.S.A. 68-141g                           | 2018 Actual Year |
|--|------------------|
| Unencumbered Cash Balance, Jan 1         | 113,579          |
| Transfers from:                          |                  |
| Road Fund                                | 0                |
| General Fund(No Levy)                    | 0                |
| General Fund(Gen has Levy)               | 8,681            |
|  |                  |
| Interest on Idle Funds                   | 389              |
| Other                                    |                  |
| <b>Resources Available:</b>              | <b>122,649</b>   |
| <b>Total Expenditures</b>                |                  |
| <b>Unencumbered Cash Balance, Dec 31</b> | <b>122,649</b>   |

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| Library                   |                        |                  |                            |                  |                                   |                               |                |
| Road                      |                        |                  |                            |                  |                                   |                               |                |
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|                           |                        |                  |                            |                  |                                   |                               |                |
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| Other                     | 0                      |                  | 0                          |                  | 0                                 |                               |                |
| Lease Purchase Principal  | 0                      |                  | 0                          |                  | 0                                 |                               |                |
| Total                     | 0                      |                  | 0                          |                  | 0                                 |                               |                |

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Keith Anderson  
Treasurer

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